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1. In Pyongyang in early July 1951 there were about 500,000 residents. Of these, the 230,000 males were distributed as follows: 110,000 from one to 15 years of age; 40,000 from 15 to 18 years of age; 30,000 from 18 to 35 years of age; and 50,000 thirty-six years of age or older. The 270,000 female residents of the city were in these age groups in approximately the same proportion.¹
2. Some residents of Pyongyang in July 1951 believed that United Nations troops would re-enter the city, and the North Korean authorities were having difficulty securing volunteer participation in community activities or obedience to North Korean directives and mobilization orders. Night raids by mobilization authorities who forcibly took away young men for compulsory labor or army service were common. The citizens who expected the re-entry of United Nations forces refused to hang the North Korean flag on their gates, and frequently posters and propaganda wall-bills were removed from house walls the morning after they had been posted. In one case in Pyongyang a prominent person who was appointed to the chairmanship of the neighborhood people's committee escaped the responsibility by moving to another district. Others nominated for similar posts wished to decline also but, feeling that all had the same sentiments, announced to the residents of the neighborhoods that since the situation required chairmen, they would accept but wished the people to understand that they had not accepted willingly and did not wish to be considered leftist if United Nations forces re-entered the city.
3. The North Korean Labor Party decided prior to June 1951 to dismiss from party rolls all those who had failed to retreat northward with the North Korean forces and had remained under United Nations occupation. In addition, the party ordered the expulsion or the confiscation of the property of even those members or individuals who had retreated with the North Korean forces if other members of the family had collaborated with United Nations forces.

1. Comment. The number of children and aged persons given in these figures seems unusually small for wartime conditions, under which these persons are generally the only ones left in a city. Furthermore, the

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